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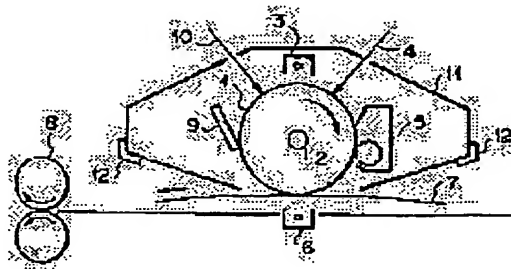
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## (54) IMAGE FORMING DEVICE AND PROCESS CARTRIDGE

(57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To provide an image forming device and process cartridge which can produce an image having excellent resolution and gradation.

CONSTITUTION: This image forming device comprises an electrophotographic photoreceptor 1 having a photosensitive layer on a support, a charging means 3 to charge the photoreceptor 1, an exposing means to shine light onto the charged photo receptor 1, a developing means 5, and a transfer means 6, wherein the product of the spot area of the light 4 shined by the exposing means and the thickness of the photosensitive layer is below  $20,000\mu\text{m}^3$ , and one or more of the photoreceptor 1, charging means 3, developing means 5, and cleaning means 9 is/are process cartridge 11 which is support rigidly and is arranged as capable of being removably mounted on the body of the image forming device.



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